

City of Dayton announces \$1,800,000 of investments for local organization

-Dayton Recovery Plan to provide funds to Rebuilding Together Dayton-

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The City of Dayton has announced the newest investments of the Dayton Recovery Plan funds, following approval of contracts by the City Commission. An investment of \$1,800,000 for Rebuilding Together Dayton will be used for renovation and repair services for up to 100 homes that are unsafe or in poor condition. Repair and reconstruction could include plumbing, electrical and structural repairs. The goal of the program is to stabilize neighborhoods by performing repairs on residential properties.

Funding for the award will be provided through the Dayton Recovery Plan's \$55 million Improving Our Neighborhoods component. This section of the plan focuses on improving housing conditions; provide in-fill and new housing; and rehab and repair.

This Dayton Recovery Plan is a \$138 million framework for community COVID relief and investment for the future, made possible by the federal American Rescue Plan Act.

"Rebuilding Together Dayton provides a much-needed service in our community," said City of Dayton Manager Shelley Dickstein. "These low-income homeowners are nominated by their neighbors and friends who understand that they just need a little help to care for their homes. We want to continue to encourage this kind of reinvestment in our most vulnerable communities."

Rebuilding Together Dayton has been providing renovation and repair services to Dayton residents since 1996. Rebuilding Together Dayton's nationally recognized Seasonal Safe@Home program focuses on providing repairs and renovations that ensure homes are dry, clean, pest-free, safe, contaminant-free, ventilated, and have adequate heating and cooling. They will leverage their experience and partnerships to complete repairs and renovations in target neighborhoods with Dayton Recovery Plan funding.

The goal of the Dayton Recovery Plan agreement with Rebuilding Together Dayton is to stabilize the Wolf Creek, Carillon, Edgemont, Miami Chapel, Five Oaks, and Old North Dayton neighborhoods through home repairs.

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About Rebuilding Together Dayton

Rebuilding Together Dayton (RTD) was brought to Dayton in 1996 by Preservation Dayton. It is a volunteer-driven organization that has repaired over 1,000 homes in neighborhoods all

across the city since its inception. Our mission is to build community partnerships and provide home rehabilitation for low-income Dayton area homeowners, particularly the elderly and disabled, so they may live in warmth, safety, and independence. We are the leading organization in the Miami Valley dedicated to rehabbing owner-occupied homes for low-income homeowners at no cost. The focus of most of our programs and projects are Dayton area homeowners who considered low-income. There is a preference given to homeowners who are elderly (60 and up) and/or disabled. The homeowners are nominated by neighborhood groups, churches, neighborhood development corporations, city housing inspectors, priority boards and individuals.

About the Dayton Recovery Plan

The Dayton Recovery Plan is a once-in-a-generation opportunity to address the infrastructure, economic and equity issues that exist in the city by using a data-driven approach to analyze socio-economic, health, and demographic data to make informed funding decisions. These investments directly impact minority communities disproportionately impacted by the pandemic and long-standing economic and social inequities in Dayton. The Dayton Recovery Plan is our city's innovative plan to utilize our share of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds. Based on a modified CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) formula, the Local Fiscal Relief section of the bill provides \$138 million to the City of Dayton in two equal installments and is the largest grant in Dayton's history. For a plan overview, go to daytonohio.gov/arpa.

The key goals of the Dayton Recovery Plan:

- Improve the quality of life in Dayton neighborhoods to attract people and businesses to our community.
- Create long-term transformational and sustainable impacts in Dayton, especially in targeted geographies. ###

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